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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 1, 1999, applicants elect Group I, claims 1-13.

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